

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION
(RCE)
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Application Number	09/997,732
Filing Date	November 29, 2001
First Named Inventor	James A. Proctor, Jr.
Group Art Unit	2665
Examiner Name	R. Shand
Attorney Docket Number	2479.1008-014 (55305CON3)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1 Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. _____ Previously submitted

i. _____ Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. _____ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. _____ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. _____ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. _____ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. _____ Other _____

2. _____ Miscellaneous

a. _____ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)

b. _____ Other _____

3 Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.14) when the RCE is filed; Fee calculated as shown below)

a. _____ Checks in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed

b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the required fees and charge/credit any discrepancies in fee amounts to Deposit Acct No 01-0484.

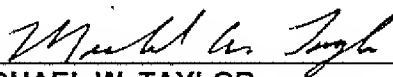
c. ☒ Payment by Deposit Account No 01-0484 on EFS-Web

i. ☒ RCE fee (\$790 large entity or \$395 small entity) required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.137 and 1.17)

iii. _____ Other _____

Respectfully Submitted,



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